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Welcome to Pokémon World



Hello there

Pokémon fans! Welcome to a summery issue of Pokémon World and let's start with some very exciting news - Mystery Dungeon Explorers Of Time and Darkness will be in the shops on 4 July! That means one week after this issue goes on sale... it might even be there now - go and look! We have loads on the game in this issue, including a compo to win copies and a Nintendo DS Lite! Plus a handy calendar for July-December, a Big Béach Sports Beach Safe to keep you cash away from the sand and sea on the beach and lots more besides. Enjoy!

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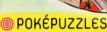
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apanese website reveals more storyline of the movie *Giratina* And The Sky's Bouquet: Shaymin



Hitting the cinemas around Tokyo on 19 July, the 11th Pokémon movie, *Giratina And* The Sky's Bouquet: Shaymin,

gives starring roles to Shaymin, Giratina and Regigigas. There's a really cool website you can check out that has been consistently updated with new story snippets and stills from the movie and here we have the latest batch of pics for you to check out.

The story update from the 15 May tells the tale of Ash and his pals as they leave a transdimensional vortex

and discover the world of Hanten Sekai. Strange things are happening all around









them and Ash and Giratina attempt to do battle, but scholar Mugen stops them in their tracks.

Check out the website for lots of movie fun. It might be in Japanese but there's lots to see and do! @



Mew's News 🔣

pecial missions!

We've already told you about the special Darkrai missions in

Explorers Of Time and Darkness and now Nintendo has revealed Dialga and Palkia have their own to download through Nintendo Wi-Fi.

Starting on 16 June in Japan, it's not clear how

but you can rest

assured that new English versions of these



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missions will make an appearance in the UK in some form.

Get yourself over to page 12 this issue to find out what we think of these two cool new Pokémon games. Stu Yew is ready to give you his honest opinion! @

Ranch Guests

Everyone's Pokémon Ranch opens its doors to special guest ranchers!



The WiiWare mini-game Everyone's Pokémon Ranch has revealed that special guest ranchers will appear in the game from time to time. In Japan they have had a guest appearance from

Golgo, the TV presenter of Pokémon Sunday, viewers hints and tips on all Pokémon games every Sunday. Yes, we wish we had such a show over here too! He has a special Octillery Pokémon! @



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Mew's News

Pokémon Pizza!

Feeling peckish? I bet you'd like to get your laughing gear around some of this tasty Pokémon pizza!

Domino's Pizza has a fantastic menu in their Japanese takeaways – probably 100 pizzas you won't find in the UK, and they also do special edition pizzas too!

With the new Pokémon movie just around the corner, from the middle of June they will start selling special Pokémon



DOMINO'S PIZZA

pizza! The meal deal comes in a box emblazoned with Pikachu and inside you will find the tasty treats of a 'Kizzupiza' pizza with tomato sauce and pepperoni. A portion of their fried potatoes and some parsley. All of this for the meagre price of ¥1680 (£8)! ⊙





Here's an update of what's hot and what's not on GTS...

Have you traded a bunch of Pokemon on the Global Trade Station yet? It's well worth checking out, and is a brilliant way of your National Pokedex. As of 20

enhancing your National Pokedex. As of 20 May, when this issue was being written, the number one country for trading was Japan, with the UK running in sixth. Here's a look at the top ten traded Pokemon. Are your favourites in the list?

Top 10 Pokémon traded on the GTS...

1. **%** 2. **%** 3. **%** Dialga

Palkia

Milotic

Mewtwo

Spiritomb

5.

Turtwig



Piplup

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Aaron

Not to be confused with Sir Aaron, the Hero of the Wave from Lucario And The Mystery Of Mew, this Aaron is the first member of the Sinnoh Elite Four you encounter in Diamond and Pearl and is weak. He's a master of Bug-type Pokémon with green eyes and hair. Pokémon in his line-up are Dustox, Heracross, Vespiquen, Beautifly and Drapion. He can be heard to say, "Bug Pokémon are nastymean, and yet they're beautiful, too ... and, "I lost with the most beautiful and toughest of the Bug

Pokémon... We lost because I wasn't good enough..."



Down the Book Shop

We take a look at the latest books from Puffin...

Percy Jackson And The Titant's Curse
Rick Riorden



Greek mythology relocated to modern-day America. This is an action-packed, funny and accessible story for both boys and girls aged ten and above. It's a perfect read for fans of *Harry Potter* and *Artemis Fowl*.

Ice Claw — Danger Zone David Cilman



Max Gordon. Wanted for murder. Two thousand freezing metres high in the mountain peaks, Max Gordon is grappling with death. His race to win an Xtreme sports challenge has become a race to survive. Max witnesses the last

moments of a mysterious Basque monk, who screams a cryptic clue before plummeting to his death. The clue is a prophecy that foretells of a cataclysmic ecological event that will kill millions across Europe. How will Max save the day?

Football Detective: Foul Play

Tom Palma



Danny is obsessed with two things: football and investigating crimes. So when England and City footballinghero Sam Roberts is reported missing the day after Danny saw him being taken, blindfolded,

into the bowels of the City FC stadium, he's determined to get to the bottom of it.

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If you have a soft spot for treats such as Love Hearts, Drumsticks, Rainbow Drops or Parma Violets then Swizzels Matlow has the perfect post for you! The legendary

confectionery company is offering one lucky person an opportunity to become an official sweet taster. The once-in-

a-lifetime role involves tasting all new product innovations that the company makes and providing feedback to the **New Product Development** team. The sweet taster will receive a personalised Swizzels Matlow overall, £250 worth of Toys 'R' Us vouchers and an additional £250 worth of Next vouchers. Interested? Enter at the website. ©



Here's a look at the latest in the Pokémon anime series to air in America called Bibarel Gnaws Best!



They're still travelling along getting into scrapes. In this episode Ash Ketchum and his pals come across a bridge

that is under construction on the way to Solaceon Town, but work has halted. On investigating further they discover that the Bibarel that are used to cut the stone for the bridge have stopped working.

eing ever-helpful, Ash volunteers s team's help to complete the

ori் இசூ The builder, Isis, tells them that the bridge must be completed in three days time and without the Bibarel, Brock discovers that making the right size of bricks is going to be tough. Then the engineer returns and starts to force the Bibarel to work! 0





Nintendo Set to Release New Mini

Nearly seven years since the launch of the Pokémon Mini console, a new release appears on the Nintendo of Europe website!



While surfing through the Nintendo of Europe website for new games very strange 'Coming Soon' entry Pokémon Tetris!

This game for the Pokémon Mini console was originally released in Japan and America back in 2001, but never got itself a UK release. Well, according to Nintendo's website, it's now on the cards!

The game is a cool mix of traditional Tetris with a Pokémon twist. It's still all about arranging the block shapes that are falling down the screen into neat lines, causing them to disappear and your score to go up. The more lines you can pop at once, the bigger the score jumps - and get a four line mega-block blaster and its called a Tetris move. The clever bit is that pulling

off a Tetris move will capture Pokémon! As you play, you will see the silhouette of the next Pokémon to be captured on the side of the screen. Take too long and they wander off, but get that elusive four line Tetris move and you will have captured one of the 251 Pokémon in the game!

If you have a Pokémon Mini, you might want to watch out for this one, but we can't really see Nintendo relaunching the console. Maybe it's just the website! ⊛



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www.nintendo.co.uk/NOE/en_GB/games/pm/pokmon_tetris_mini.html

Counterfeit Pokémon Card Raid!

Millions of dollars of pirate Pokémon cards seized in raids in New York City!

A crack team of piracy busters from Nintendo of America and Pokémon USA has been put together to shut down illegal Pokémon Trading Card Game retailers in New York. They announced on 7 April that they have now seized more than 47 million counterfeit Pokémon products, and that's in little over

They have concentrated their efforts on the production and distribution of pirate Pokémon Trading Card Game cards and tins and raided seven stores known to be selling fraudulent Pokémon merchandise in New York on 26 March. A similar raid

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was carried out at a Chinese production facility where 12 million counterfeit cards were taken away. They then repeated their success in shutting pirate card printers down in Thailand, Singapore,

Italy, the Czech Republic and Australia. The problem is global and massive. One single seizure in China in 2007 netted in excess of 26 million illegally produced cards!

Nintendo and Pokémon Company to shutting down all manufacture product. JC Smith, spokesperson for Pokémon commented, "Pokémon wants to send a message to importers and producers that we will not stand for the distribution of fraudulent Pokémon product. Pokémon is

committed to ensuring our fans receive the quality product they've come to expect.

Our advice here at Communication is to make sure you always buy your Pokémon merchandise. particularly trading cards, from a reputable

high street store or well-known online retailer. If you get them from Sunday markets or car boot sales, chances are they are fake. Of course, if you have fakes, you won't be allowed to play with them in official tournaments anyway! o



Baroque

ormat PS2, Wii • Publisher Rising Star Games ame type RPG • Release date 27 June



You awaken to find the world in ruins, your heart beset with unexplained guilt. A cataclysm has destroyed the cities and empires of men and disfigured the spirit of humanity. Join the twisted world of Baroque. 9

Harvest Fishing

ormat Nintendo DS • Publisher Rising Star Games Game type RPG • Release date 27 June



With your sister having fallen into an endless sleep, it's up to you to journey through rivers, swamps, ponds and hidden fishing spots in search of the River King, making friends with the magical creatures. 6

Futurama - Beast With A Billion Backs

mat DVD • Publisher Fox

ating U • Release date 30 June



The thrilling conclusion to Futurama: Bender's Big Score. Bender and the planet express crew must contend with a massive cosmic team that sends the world panicking. A DVD that'll look great in your collection. 9

WALLE

ormat All consoles • Publisher THQ Same type Platform • Release date 4 July



Zip, race and blast as you take WALL•E and EVE through a fastpaced adventure in the newest Disney/Pixar blockbuster movie, WALL*E. Explore ten worlds filled with non-stop action! @

Thumb Wrestling Federation - Complete Serles One

ormat DVD • Publisher Delta Rating U • Release date 7 July



A long time ago, when wrestlers wore speedos and had back hair, the four corners of the thumb wrestling ring were a place of heroic deeds, of fair competition, of honour. This DVD is a right laugh!

Naruto Unleashed - Series 4 Part 1

ormat DVD • Publisher Manga Entertainment Rating 12 • Release date 28 July



battle-torn Hidden Leaf Village the Third Hokage and the Leaf

ninjas make their final stand against Orochimaru and his minions. In the aftermath of Orochimaru's attack, the life of a ninja goes on! @



Is History Horrible?

Horrible Histories exhibition opens in Manchester!



Imperial War Museum North has an unmissable exhibition, based on Frightful First World War, one of the most popular books in

HORRIBLE HISTORIES

the Horrible Histories series servicemen and civilians was described as the war to end all wars.

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Which is the grumpiest Pokémon?

Krabby!

From Harry Maple, age eight

Dear Pokémon World,

Enclosed is a photo I have taken of some of the models my six-year-old son Alexander Wright has made. He my six-year-old son meaninger whight has made. He loves Pokémon and spends hours with modelling clay making his favourite Pokémon. Alexander will love to see his work in your magazine as he loves anything Pokémon.

Many thanks,

ie Wright (mum)

Here you go Debbie... and well done Alexander, these models are great!



Hi, I'm Louise and I have to tell you one thing that happened to me where I nearly Fainted! It was one nappened to me where I nearly rainted: It was one day when my aunts where cleaning my bedroom. When they saw my Pokemon cards, what do you think they did? They binned them all! All 562 cards are gone and now I have to start all over again. I could not believe the model and? it, would you?

From L

Oh no! I bet you were a bit annoyed with them! Well





Hello Pokémon World. This is my bedroom with some of my Pokémon collection. From Daniel Bird, age nine, from Manningtree.





Here is a great Pokémon collection belonging to Michael Ashworth, age eight from Oldham. Just loók at the number of figures he's got there! Thanks for sending this in Michael!



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FROM THE FORUM

Post any weird, funny or even stupid Pokémon facts. I only have one... When Poliwag evolves into Poliwhirl, its swirl changes direction.

Vulpix is born with one tail and splits into six depending on... I forget :0 Kind of wished it had a one-tailed pre-evo.

In Red/Blue/Yellow, Lickitung couldn't learn lick.

Lickitung has a tongue that is twice as long as its body.

Nidoqueen, Nidoking, Rhydon, Tyranitar, Aggron, Rampardos, and Rhyperior can all learn Surf, even though they're all weak to water.

I don't know if this has been mentioned before but... Wooper can learn Ice Punch but Wooper has no arms!

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When it's Koffing. From Debbie Stringer, age 12





Dile Saves The Day

By Daniel Golton, age 13, Highworth

The wind rustled through the trees and the Pidgey were tweeting but Dile was fast asleep. Dile was a very lazy Totodile and it was not the rustle but the shouting as loud as an avalanche that woke him up.

"Wake up! WAKE UP!!!"

"Wassgoinon..." Dile mumbled

rather sleepily.

"You need to come with me. It's

me, Winey. Quick!" Dile was pulled to his feet and dragged through some bushes. When he opened his eyes he found himself in a clearing with lots and

"It's our leader," Winey explained quickly. "He's all odd and his eyes lots of Wynaut.

have gone all funny!"

Dile, who was now feeling awake,
ran to the leader's house to find him

lying on the floor mumbling.
"Someone saw him leaving the village last night; we want you to

village last night; we want you to find out where he goes."
So that night Dile watched and waited. Nothing happened until one in the morning when Dile noticed movement outside the leader's house. He crept silently from house to house, following the leader.

The leader wandered into the forest and picked up an orange berry; holding it, he walked through a bush and out of sight. It took Dile

a while to notice that now more Pokémon were doing the same all around him!

Dile followed some through the bush and out into a clearing where the Pokémon dropped their berries and wandered a few steps and fainted! Dile made a move to help

them but...
"STOP," the voice was a hiss. "Or I will kill them."

Dile stopped, a figure emerged from the shadows. Dile gasped. "Seedy, no it can't be!"

"It is, my watery friend, I am Seedy

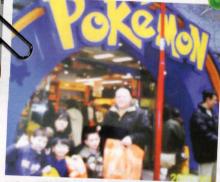
"What have you done to yourself, you're on fire!"

"Oh a bit of this and bit of that but

lets cut to fight.""What fight?" Dile asked disbelievingly.

"This one... GIGA DRAIN!!"

Dile felt the strength sucked out of him and everything went black.



Hello! I'm Ken, nine years old. I'm half Japanese and half English so I go to Japan often. This is Pokemon Center in Japan (bottom). This is me and my Pokemon collection (top).

lvysaur. lvysaur who? I've a sore knuckle from



Have you got something to say in PokéChat? Your own review of a game, photos of you at Pokémon events, or your own Pokémon collection? Or simply want to get something off your chest? Write to us at this address...

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Although in a slightly different style to *Diamond* and *Pearl*, the graphics are packed with detail.

Pokémon from that dungeon. They also contain random egg moves that you can use to your advantage!

Keeping an eye open for treasure chests is a good idea too, as they contain rare items that are packed with power.

The fact that the dungeons in both games randomise each

time you play means that these are Pokémon adventures that will always keep you on your toes. This is a theme in all Chunsoft games – the developer likes to surprise players and feels that randomising keeps its games fresh, even if you have already been through and completed them once already!

The Wonder-Mail codes are back again with eight dungeons that can only be accessed by entering these special strings of letters and numbers. They contain special missions like the Maze Cave, where





© AROUND AND ABOUT THE TREASURE TOWN...

If there's shopping to be done in Pokémon Mystery Dungeon then you'll be wanting to visit the nearby town. Here you can buy all kinds of things, complete tasks and chat to the locals. Here's a look at what you'll find...

A handy place to visit, and a shop that is returning from the first game. It has a green Kecleon and a purple Kecleon running it. Get all kinds of Hold items from the green one including healing potions and food. The purple one will sell you

TMs and Orbs

KANGASKHAN'S STORAGE

The storage shop here is very handy, as you will lose all the items you are carrying if you lose in a dungeon. You can store items you don't think you will need here with Kangaskhan and he will keep them safe for another day. Just don't lose your receipt!

DUSKULL'S BANK

In the first game the bank was run by Persian, but it has now changed hands and Duskull has taken over. The purpose of the bank remains the same, though — store your cash here and like your items, you then won't lose everything if you lose in a dungeon.

ELECTIVIRE'S LINK SHOP

Similar to the shop run by Gulpin in the first Mystery Dungeon games, Electivire will teach you how to link two of your moves together to make one powerful move. This is a handy place to go, as you will also be able to relearn forgotten moves that could be essential!



MAROWAK'S TRAINING DOJO

Bring all your dungeon Expedition here for training before they tackle some of the more nasty dungeons in the game. It was run by Makuhita originally, but now Marowak has taken over. There's a particularly nasty dungeon at the end of the game called the Final Maze!



CHANSEY'S HUT

A new feature is the receiving of an egg when you have completed certain dungeons. You obviously can't sit on it yourself and wait for it to hatch, so bring it here to Chansey and he will incubate the egg for you. Come back in a few game day's time for a Pokémon!



XATU'S LOCKSMITH

You will find treasure chests as you adventure through some of the dungeons. They are locked and there are no keys to be found, but pick them up and take them to Xatu in his Locksmith's shop and he will open the chests for 150 PokéDollars, giving you an item.



:ROAGUNK'S TRADE POST

Located outside Treasure Town in the Wigglytuff Guild you will find Croagunk's Trade Post. Pokémon have specific items and types and each of these have varying strengths and rarities. At the Trade Post you can trade up your items to enhance your Expedition.









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definitive collection of beach sporting activities especially for the Nintendo Wii wonderconsole!

The six sports on offer are good old

English Football, summery beach Volleyball, American Football, tricky Disc Golf, a Bocce bowls game and for the first time ever on Wii, Cricket – a perfect game with a bowl of strawberries and cream! Some of these sports are well known to all, like Football and Volleyball, but others are going to take some extra explaining. Disc Golf is played

with Frisbees with the idea to throw them at special targets or baskets to score a point. Bocce, on the other hand, is a game of throwing skill that is similar to bowls but has different rules to learn.

Cet your family around theTV screen for this one as
each of the six games can
be played by up to four players simultaneously, or taking in turns in the case of Disc Golf and Bocce. They are also all played with the Wii Remote alone, no need to get your Nunchuk out of its case. If you're playing alone though, fret not as there is a cool Tournament Mode included in each sport where you play against opponents that get increasingly tougher as your skills improve. You're awarded Skill Points as you play that are then in turn used to calculate the difficulty of your next game!

If you're worried

that your

This is the first time that the great English game of Cricket has appeared on the Wii, you know!

O If you want you can dress up your player in a bee or a monkey suit. Only if you really want to mind!

knowledge of the rules of American Football or Cricket aren't quite up to scratch don't! The developers have simplified all the rules of the games included to ensure that all members of the family can join in and have some beach fun without getting bogged down with rules and regulations. After all, this is a

summer beach game where we just want to enjoy ourselves! You don't even have to worry about making runs in Cricket - the game is more about the action part of hitting, kicking, throwing or bowling, with the artificial intelligence of the game taking care of most other actions.

What is really cool about THQ's Big Beach Sports is that

it's the first game since Pokémon Battle Revolution to



© CUSTOMISING CHARACTERS!

The boffins at THQ were behind the brilliant Drawn To Life on DS a while back, and they have taken the same idea and incorporated it into Big Beach Sports. You can transfer a little program to your DS that then allows you to use the touch screen and stylus to draw all kinds of detail to make up your character in the game Eyebrows, eyes, lips, noses and ears can all be



scribbled by you, and when combined with some crazy outfit options in the game, you can create and store up to six madcap creations to represent you and your mates on the beach this summer. Cool!



include some DS to Wii connectivity. In the game you can select which character you would like to play as, but rather than simply choosing faces, eyes and ears on the Wii, the game downloads a special program to your DS where you can then create your own character on the DS touch screen by actually drawing the mouth, eyebrows, nose, ears and eyes to perfectly represent you in the game! There are cool costumes, too, including pirates and monkeys to dress up as! A quick transfer back to the Wii and your freshly



Wey-hey! Summer is upon us so it's time to get the snazzy shorts out and get yourself

some beach action before it starts raining again! Of course, most of you will live miles from the nearest beach, so Big Beach Sports is the perfect alternative. There's a great collection of sports on offer, covering the bases of sandy sports

action. I love the fact that these sports have been made easier, too, with the emphasis on fun rather than rules. Add to this the DS customisation and we have a winner here!





joys of a hot summer's day down the beach – volleyball played with a good bouncy ball by a bunch of kids in swimwear! Now play it your mates!

Cricket! You can store six of your character creations in the game.

If you don't live near the beach then Big Beach Sports could be the answer to you getting some top-notch beach sports fun this year. It's either buy this game or get a JCB full of sand, dump it outside your house and put your shorts on! @

glorious beach setting with single and multiplayer modes to master. Plus

the DS character customisation options are simply genius!

lints Some players will find the simplified versions of the sports on offer just a bit too 'simple'. They need to go for serious EA sims instead.

inal comments This new Play THQ game is great fun with your friends and family. You'll get a tan too!



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Format Wii • Price £39.99 Publisher Nintendo •

Game type Beat-'em-up

Release 27 June • Info Packed with Pokémon!

In the shops the day after this issue of Pokémon World, we can all at last enjoy the delights of this Nintendo super-beat-'em-up!

We've covered Super Smash Bros. Brawl extensively in previous issues, but the game has been delayed a few times

so we never managed to actually review it. Well, now it's finally here, so can it really live up to all the hype that has been whipped up around it? Yup, it can!

Here are the facts that make this a must have Wil game... 4.85 million copies have been sold so far around the world - this many people can't be wrong! Although at its heart it's a simple fighting game, the fact that it stars all the greatest videogame characters from the Nintendo stable, as well as stars of Konami and Sega, make it widely appealing. The game also acts as a comprehensive videogames history lesson - trophies of famous characters can be collected and each gives a bunch of info on the game they belong to. Stickers of classic game artwork are also collected as you play. You can stick these on to virtual backgrounds and take snapshots



Every second of Super Smash Bros. Brawl is like an explosion in a Nintendo factory - there's so much going on!

Nintendo's Wi-Fi Connection. Think that's all cool? Well there are also demo games of Nintendo masterpieces hidden away, like one we found of The Legend Of Zelda: Ocarina Of Time. These use the Wii Virtual Console technology to show off great moments from Nintendo's past.

There are 41 stages to fight through, 35 characters to select, 36 composers that have made music for the game and more

The game is a beautiful mixture of cute and serious gaming characters. But which type will reign supreme?

game options than it's possible to explain. If you're a fan of Nintendo and have a Wii then the simple fact is that you need to have this game in your life! @

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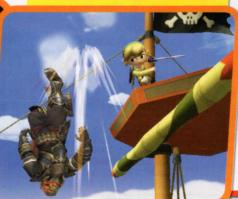
+ Points Too many to mention! The fact that the game is packed to bursting with Pokémon goodness should be enough for all of you reading this to want to grab a copy!

oints Cruelty to Nintendogs. Well that's all we could think of!

Final comments This game has been a long time coming, but you can see every second of development time has been used to ensure it is the definitive Nintendo fighting game. Hours of fun are guaranteed!

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Format PS2 • Price £29.99
Publisher Koei • Game type RPG
Release Out now • Info A grid-based
SRPG attack system

PlayStation 2 strategy games don't come much better than this — a new game from the tactical RPG boffins that brought uou Disgaea...



What do you do when you encounter an enemy that is just too powerful for you and the rest of the good guys to ever defeat?

You sell your soul to the devil, of course! Or worse – you do a deal with your age-old arch-enemy, giving away your soul piece-bypiece in turn for the power you need. But how much of your soul are you willing to give up?

Soul Nomad & The World Eaters' society is led by a number of Kings who co-inhabit the land with intelligent creatures and live in relative harmony. That was until the World Eaters arrived. They destroyed the land with



⊕ A CAST OF THOUSANDS.

Koei has certainly packed the characters into Soul Nomad, and the artwork for each one is really well done and chock a block with detail. Check out the game's website to see them all, and info on each one.



blood and fire – however, this was 200 years ago and they have stood silent like evil statues ever since, but the carnage could be about to begin all over again.

You have a full army at your disposal with an exciting combination of large, grid-based battlefields and hot, real-time combat action. You have the freedom to place your battle squads anywhere on the

battlefield
using recon reports.
You can customise more
options in this game than
any previous Nippon Ichi
RPG, starting with your
character's gender and name.
With the ability to create and
command squads, the idea is
to build up your army using 25
character types until you have a

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force that is capable of destroying the world you're trying to save!

Thousands of you RPG fans bought Disgaea and Soul Nomad expands on that tactical masterpiece with a brand new battle system that introduces many innovations to the genre. There's no doubting that this is a game for serious role-playing game fans, but if this is you then it really won't disappoint. With character creation,





The game is packed with characters and artwork to keep the story moving along at a hefty pace.

super moves, chain skills, cool cut-scenes, extensive maps and some really nifty looking visuals, this is the PlayStation 2 RPG to end them all! ©

cPoints A development on from hit PS2 games like *Disgaea*, this RPG has all the elements needed to make it a roaring success.

- Points Some games are for casual gamers that like to play for short bursts; others are for those serious about their role-playing. This one is very serious, but still fun!

Final comments Certainly not for everyone, but if you're on the lookout for a heavy RPG to get lost in, this is it!



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Format DS • Price £24.99
Publisher Oxygen Games •

Came type Shoot-'em-up Release 25 July • Info Free parrot!

Will it be a pirate's life for you with the release of Oxygen's swashbuckling adventure on DS?

As long as there have been videogames there have been videogame pirates. Unfortunately they've tended to be the pasty faced

freeloading sort rather than the magnificently bearded freebooting kind. Indeed, despite Blackbeard being the patron saint of gaming, the number of titles actually involving pirates is miserably small. The number that are any good can be counted on the fingers of one hand (assuming it hasn't been replaced by a hook).

To be brutally honest, in strict gameplay terms this doesn't really have a whole lot to do with pirates. The story, though, is pure *Monkey Island* nonsense as an old grog-filled drunk at a tavern tells you about the Seven Keys of the Seven Seas, which will unlock a fabulous treasure once found. Before you can ask "So why aren't you after them?" though, you find out the keys are in fact cursed and you've got to locate them all quickly or its Davy Jones' locker for you.

Using a top down perspective, the game recalls any number of classic coin-ops, from Atari 2600 game Combat to a naval version of Gauntlet. As you'd expect, that means this isn't the most exacting simulation of ship-based combat, with gigantic three-mast galleons scooting around the briny like remote control yachts

These four buttons on the touchscreen are your special ship abilities like repair and increase speed.

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blades. You can also pick up and lay mines, which for once in a videogame is actually a useful tactic given the odd manoeuvres you have to make in order to get into a decent firing position.

The only additional complications are a set of four special abilities

where you get to switch between increasing the map range, the range of your guns or the speed of your ship. Only one can be active at once and its effectiveness is dictated by how many crew you have on board.

All simple stuff then and the addition of boss battles and some maze-like level designs doesn't really hide the fact that the single-player game is hugely repetitive, both in terms of enemies and basic action. Making proper use of the tactical power-ups is vitally

 Points The game has simple but fun controls and action and the four-person multiplayer works really great!

- Points Sadly the single player mode lacks variety and will soon have you switching for the off button!

Final comments A pirate's life should never be a solitary one so feel free to splice the mainbrace if you've got a steady supply of friends.

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on a village pond. It all works in context, however, and the fact that you can still only fire your standard cannons left or right, and the wide turning circle, retains just enough of a pretence of reality for it all to work. Much of the tactics involve trying to sidle up to enemies to give them a good broadsiding, or searching the map for power-ups. These are all fired from the bow of the ship and include the likes of flamethrowers, rockets and ricocheting buzzsaw

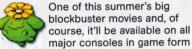


Also available this month...

The Incredible

ormat All • Price £29.99-£49.99 Publisher Sega • Game type Adventure Release 30 June • Info Don't anger him!





thanks to Sega. You'll be able to demolish virtually anything in your path in the game and then use it as a weapon! We're talking pieces of crumbling buildings, passing cars, street lamps - you name it. The Hulk can grab it and whap someone with it! Think this is powerful? Well there's even a more insane rage gauge where if you build it up you can unleash unheard-of damage and upgrade The Hulk's abilities. With a dynamic, open world to explore, these games sound like a blast! @

The Chronicles of Narnia: Prince Caspian

Format All • Price £29.99-£49.99 Publisher Disney • Game type Adventure
Release Out now • Info Game of the movie



Another blockbuster movie coming your way, and Disney has a raft of games to tempt you into playing the movie on your favourite console. It's 1,300 years on from the original Narnia and a new hero is about to rise. The great thing with these new Narnia games is they include locations that are unique to the games and not in the movie or original books. That should make them essential purchases for all Narnia nuts out there. With gameplay options for one or two players, twenty playable characters and the ability to play as Prince

Caspian himself, this is well

worth a look. @

Mary King's Riding School

Publisher Ghostlight • Game type Sim Release Out now • Info Horse action!



One for our many female readers here - how many of you have dreamed of having your own pony? Well if you only have a small back garden, Ghostlight has got the game for

you! Mary King's Riding School opens the stable doors on the famous horsey lady's top equestrian school. You can learn to care for, train, and compete with horses, taking part in international events and mastering three equestrian disciplines - dressage, crosscountry and show jumping. Mary has very high standards, so you won't get away with skipping the mucking out! This game is a horsey delight on DS. @

ormat Wii • Price £29.99 Publisher Namco Bandai . Came type Sports Release Out now • Info Ski on your Wii!



The summer is here at last so it's time to start skiing on your Wii... err, well that's what Nintendo would like you to think anyway! This game has been created with the Wii Board controller

specifically in mind, where you stand and tilt to move your skier along. You can choose to play with the standard Nunchuk and Wii Remote controls too, though, so you don't have to fork out for the new gadget. With characters to customise, or the option to import your Mii, up to four players playing against each other, the ability to take photos of the slope action, and loads of items to purchase to enhance your game, this is one cool skiing sim! @

ormat PS3, Xbox 360 • Price £49.99 Publisher Atari • Game type Beat-'em-up Release Out now • Info Next-gen fighting



The Dragon Ball Z series finally arrives on next-generation consoles with the Xbox 360 and PlayStation 3 release of Burst

Limit. Expect some fierce online battles with outstanding 3D graphical effects oozing out of every corner! These super consoles really do blur the line between the anime series and the videogame - the visuals are really that good. There are lots of playable characters, realistic battle stages and environments that will excite all fans of the series. Of course, this will be a tester for the next-gen consoles too - do Dragon Ball Z fans have an Xbox 360 or PS3? Perhaps they should have been on Wii and DS? @

New International Track & Field

Format Nintendo DS • Price £29.99 Publisher Konami • Game type Sports Release Out now . Info For sporty types!



You won't be able to move for Olympics cash-in games this summer, but you won't find many with the history of Konami's New International Track & Field. It's the 25th anniversary of the original arcade game Track & Field - a game that destroyed lots of joysticks when it was released on home computers. In this new DS version you can enjoy over 20 athletic challenges including archery, skeet shooting, 100 metre sprint, pole vaulting and javelin. The difference this time is that rather than button bashing to get

your characters moving you will be scribbling

like crazy on your touch screen. There are

world records to beat in each event too! @







WIN! A NINTENDO DS LITE & COPIES OF TIME AND DARKNESS!





These Mystery Dungeon sequels are well worth your pennies and packed with honest-to-goodness

Pokémon fun. Our friends at Nintendo have given us copies of each game and a nice new console to give away to loyal **Releasers Mortal** readers. Just send your answer to the tricky question to pokemonworld@imagine-publishing. uk naming your email 'Mystery

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- C. Chunsoft

Please get your entries in by 24 July. Winners will be drawn at random. Good

















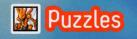






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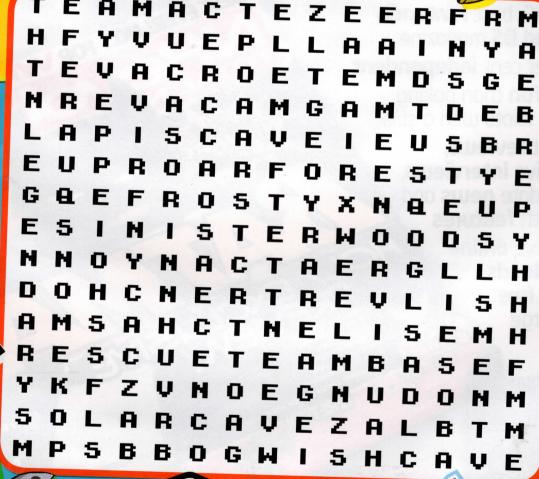


POKE PUZZILES

Mystery Dungeon Wordsearch!

Here's a mindbending wordsearch with 20 clues to find, all of them based around the original Pokémon Mystery Dungeon games.







Mystery Dungeon

Here's the place to test your brains on the world of Pokémon! We've put together these quick puzzles — see if you can get all the answers!

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in the puzzle can also only contain one Pokémon, and so can each column. Fill in

the missing Pokémon by drawing them in – good luck!



Big Pokémon Monster Mix-Up! them

Dopey little Stu Yew has gone and mixed up the DNA of five different Pokémon Professor Yew's lab, and now can't work out who they are so that he can unscramble

them again before his uncle finds out what he's done! Take a look at this monstrous creation and see if you can work out which Pokémon are in there!
As a clue, this Pokémon's name is

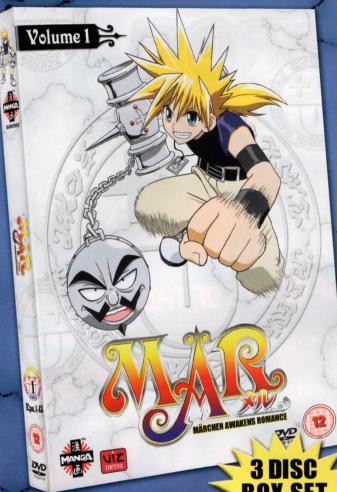
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So you've read our hot review of this great game over on page 18, now you can win yourself a copy — and a Wii too!

It's the Nintendo game that celebrates all Nintendo games, and as our mates at Nintendo are in a celebrating

mood, they have given us a Wii and five copies of Super Smash Bros. Brawl to give away to our lucky readers! To win, just send your answer to the mind-boggling question to pokemonworld@imagine-publishing.co.uk naming your email 'Smash Compo'. If you insist, you

can also send your entry in by post. They will all go into the Editor's big hat to draw winners at random.

How many playable characters are there in this new *Super Smash Bros.* beat-'em-up?

A. 35

B. 305

C. 3

Please get your entries in to us by 24 July or you will be too late. Good luck to all of you! ⊚













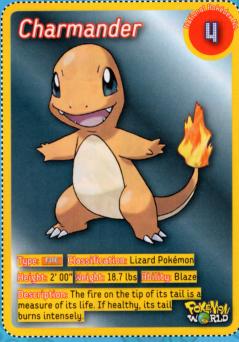






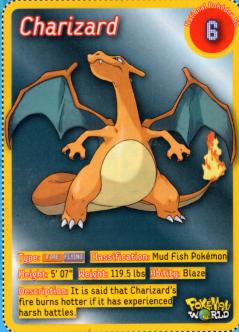










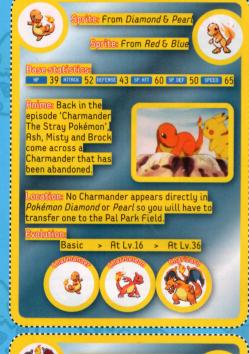












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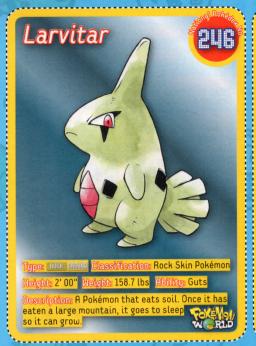






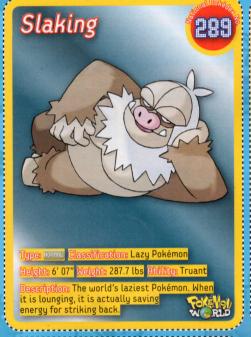


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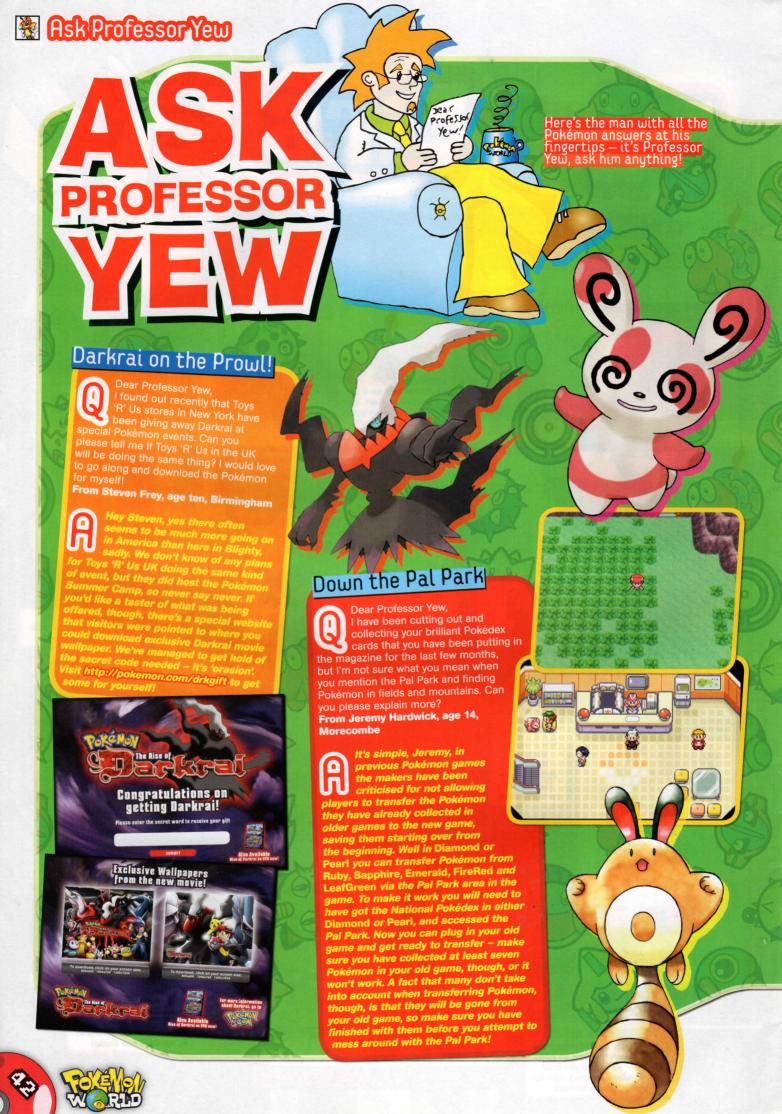












Puzzle League Lovers!

Dear Professor Yew, Hooray! I've loved *Pokémon Puzzle League* ever since it first came out on the Nintendo 64, but I haven't played on that console for many years now. So I was over the moon when I heard it was coming to WiiWare and could be downloaded on Wii for 1,000 WiiWare points. Thinking about the game again, though, I wondered if you had any insights on how to best tackle the characters in the game? Any info would be much appreciated.

From Simon Crayford, age 14,

Yes Simon, Pokémon Puzzle
League is a brilliant game!
There are 15 characters you
will come up against as you
play through the one-player mode,
or if you're playing a multiplayer
game you can play as any one of
these. These are all characters
from the first two series of the
Pokémon anime series and each
one has three Pokémon with
them. In a one-player game you
play as Ash and have been sent
on a special journey by my old
colleague Professor Oak to
prove you have what it takes
to be a Pokémon Master. You
must play each character in
various difficulty modes to
reign supreme, and beating
some will give you a special
reward. Here's a list of what to
expect...

Stage 1: VS Gary Oak Available in: Easy, Normal, Hard, Very Hard, Super Hard Nidoran, Krabby, Pokémon: Growlithe

Stage 2: VS Brock Available in: Easy, Nor Easy, Normal, Hard, Very Hard, Super Hard

Geodude, Vulpix, Zubat Pokémon: Boulder Badge Reward:

Stage 3: VS Misty Available in: Easy, Normal, Hard, Very Hard, Super Hard

Horsea, Psyduck, Pokémon:

Staryu Cascade Badge Reward:

Stage 4: VS Lt. Surge Available in: Easy, Normal,

Easy, Normal, Hard, Very Hard, Super Hard

Raichu, Jolteon,

Magneton Thunder Badge Reward:

Pokémon:

Stage 5: VS Erika Available in: Easy, Normal, Hard,

Very Hard, Super

Tangela, Weepinbell, Pokémon:

Gloom

Rainbow Badge Reward:



Available in: Easy, Normal, Hard, Very Hard,

Super Hard

Venomoth, Voltorb, Golbat

Soul Badge Reward:

Stage 7: VS Sabrina Available in: Easy, Normal, Hard, Very Hard,

Super Hard

Abra, Hypno, Alakazam Marsh Badge Pokémon: Reward:

Stage 8: VS Blaine Available in: Easy, Normal, Hard, Very Hard,

Arcanine, Charmeleon, Magmar Pokémon:

Volcano Badge Reward:

Stage 9: VS Tracey Sketchit Available in: Easy, Normal, Hard, Very Hard,

Super Hard

Pokémon: Marill, Venonat, Scyther

Stage 10: VS Team Rocket Available in: Easy, Normal, Hard, Very Hard,

Super Hard

Pokémon: Weezing, Arbok, Golbat

Stage 11: VS Giovanni Available in: Easy, Normal, Hard, Very Hard, Super Hard

Pokémon: Persian, Sandslash, Nidoking

Earth Badge

Stage 12: VS Ritchie Available in: Normal, Hard, Very Hard, Super Hard

Sparky, Zippo, Happy Elite Opening

Stage 13: VS Lorelei
Available in: Normal, Hard, Very Hard, Super Hard
Pokémon: Sparky, Zippo, Happy
Reward: Elite Medal 1

Stage 14: VS Bruno
Available in: Normal, Hard, Very Hard, Super Hard

Pokémon: Onix, Hitmonchan, Primeape

Reward: Elite Medal 2

Stage 15: VS Gary Available in: Hard, Very Hard, Super Hard Nidoqueen, Arcanine, Kingler Very Hard mode unlocked

Rewards:

Stage 16: VS Mewtwo Available in: Very Hard, Super Hard Bulbasaur, Squirtle, Pikachu Game complete



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If you don't want us to print your monster without your name - make sure you put it on the back of your drawing!

Monster of the Month!

Evolution: None





Pokemon type: Fire/Fight

Special affacts: Fire Cannon, Metal Claw, Confusion Smack, Mega Punch



Flareaxe often battles on mountains. It uses its claws to attack other Pokémon.

Ross Mason, age nine, Longhope

Sadly we can't return any of your drawings as it would take us all day just putting pictures in envelopes! We do try to print as many monsters as we can, but inevitably not all will make it on to







pedal attacks: Poison Claw, Head Butt, Poison Tail



GX-06 can only be unlocked once all three starter Pokémon have been taken and can only be found in the Sky Pillar.

Alex Moriarty, age ten, Bury





Spikachu

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Pokemon type: Electric/Dark

edal affacks: Hyper Fang, Thunderbolt, Dark Blast, Electric Tail

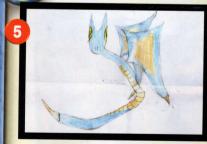


Spikachus live in dark caves and eat humans for dinner. It is super quick and is excellent in battle. It can't be caught.
It will only come with you if you are nice to it. Spikachu is hyper rare.

Adam Beckett, age ten, Chandlers Ford



Revendous



Pokemon type: Psychic/Dragon

<mark>egial ബ്രാർട്ട</mark>ു Tele-Smash, Brain Wave, Teleport, Merge



Revendous is a fairly solitary Pokémon. It will teleport from danger if alone. Small groups of this Pokémon can merge together to grow bigger and more powerful.

JB Cameron, age 12 3/4, Nairn



നളരിളി ബ്ലാര്യ്ക്ക് Fire Blaze,

Superheat, Meltdown, Spike Whip



Hard to tame and catch, this Pokémon is not one to be messed with! If tamed it makes a loyal companion, though.

Thomas Jordan, age 11, Wakefield





Pokemon types Dark/Fire/Flying/Dragon

edal allack Hyper Beam, Flamethrower, Midnight Shock



This Legendary Pokémon disappears in the darkness like magic if you catch it. Ice Dragon will then appear.

Emma Tilbrook, age nine, Willingale

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Pokémon Organized Play heats up as the top decks get ready for Nationals...



By the time this issue hits the stands, UK Nationals will already have been and gone and we will know just what decks and players

did well on the day.

As much as some of us here at would like to delay the publishing of your favourite Pokémon magazine until after the UK Nationals, our publisher Nick has cracked the whip and told Ditto and pals to get on with it! So we are going to gaze into the future and see if we can predict what is going to be hot at Nationals. By the time we

hit the shops you will be able to judge straight away just how accurate our predictions really were.

So here goes... firstly from what we saw at the London State Championships and from the first look at how



Majestic Dawn seems to be changing the current game, it looks likely that UK Nationals will be a struggle

between tried and tested winning decks - such as Gardevoir/ Gallade (Plox or not Plox, with and without Dusknoir) and Magmortar (with or without Togekiss) and the new decks utilising Eeveelutions and Empoleon/

Omastar, from the latest Pokémon Diamond & Pearl set, Majestic Dawn. @



Sami Sekkoum took his Magkiss deck (Magmortar and Togekiss) all the way to a spectacular win at the London State

Championships, beating Gardevoir and Gallade decks and brushing all others aside on his way to the winning the first place

trophy in the Masters age group.

Certainly with that win for Sami and from what we saw at London State, we predict the usual suspects will be top eight and higher in the various age groups. Expect to see Sami doing well and probably taking the title again this year. That said he needs to watch out, as Faisal Khan (Freddy K) is returning as a player, and he may alter the balance of power - we expect to see Freddy in the top eight too this year. @

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Andy Stone Age Group: Masters Deck Played: BMC (Blaziken, Magmortar, Claydol) Delibird (because he is like Santa!) Crawley Currently play Pokémon Ruby









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POKÉMON PLAYER PROFILE

<mark>Name:</mark> Megan Szekely Age Group: Seniors Deck Play Gardevoir





Add in the ever present and consistent Andy Stone, much

improved long-term player Dharyl Wilson, and longterm Tournament Organiser and sometime player lan Fotheringham to the mix and we think we are well on the way to predicting the Masters top eight.

In the Seniors we can usually count on Nicholas Fotheringham to be blasting his way towards the top spot and we expect to see Megan Szekely repeat her top eight appearance from last year. Look out for Luke Purwar, Luke Burke and Luke Astarita, too, not forgetting Adam Hawkins, who will most likely be joining Megan and Nicholas there too.



The Juniors is much harder to call, but a top eight there will probably contain Siaun Murray, Tommy Ellis, James Do and if he can make it, Cameron Dilley.

That said, nothing is ever set in stone, and who will have won big at Nationals is still hard for us to predict. There are surprisingly good players who may have escaped notice in the past who are ready to trip the unwary and unprepared among the top players.

Take Tommy Ellis's dad Paul - he played so well at London with his unexpected Mario deck that he ended up taking a top placed trophy home while beating returning star Freddy K together will all who



crossed his path, except eventual winner Sami Sekkoum!

The **Nationals** may be hard to call but we are sure by the time you read this someone from our predicted player list will be going to Worlds! 0



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A resurgent Empoleon deck gives Magmortar, Gardevoir and Gallade a fright!

London State was dominated by decks we have covered in previous issues and Majestic Dawn cards have yet to make a

real impact here in the UK as we went to press. So Ditto has been looking abroad for the deck that makes this month's Hot Pick.

It is a resurgent Empoleon deck, using the new spread damage Empoleon from Majestic Dawn, Aerodactyl, and the all important Omastar from the same set, too. @

The idea behind the deck is to speed Cyclone Energy to Empoleon out of one of their benched Pokémon and then start attacking with Empoleon's 'Dual Splash'

attack. Play Omastar from your hand to your bench and use Omastar's 'Primal Swirl' Poké-Power to de-evolve their damaged Pokémon and take multiple prizes!

Even if you can't knock out their Pokémon in one fell swoop with 'Primal Swirl' then a timely evolution to Omastar, followed by a

EMPOLEON IS GO!

4 x Piplup (Diamond & Pearl) 4 x Prinplup (Diamond & Pearl)

3 x Empoleon (Majestic Dawn)

3 x Omanyte (Majestic Dawn)

3 x Omastar (Majestic Dawn)

1 x Empoleon LV X (Diamond & Pearl)

real knockout blow for your opponent; Empoleon hits 2 things for 30 damage each turn and if you set up 'Primal Swirl' properly then you can draw multiple prizes and leave your opponent with a small hand of random cards to play with. The energy switches using the fossil's

are so you can evolve a benched Helix Fossil 'Aqua Reaction' Poké-Body and then pass the energy on to a Prinplup for the

table in one go. The deck is simple to play but a

If you get a fossil start, do not worry. just discard it once you have a Piplup and get it back on the bench with Omanyte's 'Call Up' Poké-Power or use Fossil Excavator. Aerodactyl is in the deck to make your opponent think twice before using a Poké-Power and it continues with the damage spread deevolution theme of the deck.

Even if Empoleon does not make the impact on Nationals we think it should, some of the fossil Pokémon in the deck will - Omastar and Aerodactyl look certain to find themselves as









opponent to search for them from their deck all over again. And while they are searching for their evolutions, you can continue to snipe any threats that are developing. thev

If needed you can follow up an Omastar drop by leveling up to Empoleon LV X, then play your Team Galactic's Wager, use supreme command and attack with Hydro

2 x Aerodactyl (Majestic Dawn) 3 x Helix 2 x Old Amber 3 x Windstorm 1 x Fossil Excavator

3 x Team Galactic's Wager

3 x Roseanne's Research 4 x Celio's Network

1 x Night Maintenance 2 x Steven's Advice

3 x Energy Switch 2 x Warp Point

8 x Water

3 x Cyclone 2 x Scramble











many decks opponent's Pokémon.

We have not got the space in this issue to look at

the impact that all the Majestic Dawn cards may have on the current game - the new Infernape looks good, especially if swarmed with Togekiss, and we expect Eeveelution decks at UK Nationals. They are sure to be running Glaceon and Glaceon LV X as well as Umbreon and Espeon. With all those Poké-Powers, suddenly you will face a 110HP Eeveelution with no weakness and free

retreat cost! Better start packing your Cessation Crystals if you want to survive the icestorm. @





taken control now and have announced the outline schedule for the Organized Play Season 2008-2009.

Autumn/Fall Battle Roads

O September/October

City Championships

O November/January 09

State Championship

March 09

Soring Battle Roads

O April 09

We can therefore expect UK Nationals in May 2009. This is the first time ever that a UK Organized Play Manager has announced the OP schedule in advance. A very big well done to D&A Games and we hear that for the first time ever, the Channel Islands will be joining the UK Pokémon Organized Play community too - great more competition!

20 August looks set to bring us the next new Diamond & Pearl set - Legends Awakened. We are promised Regigigas and the much awaited Heatran, as well as more fossils and the return of Technical Machines to the game.

The set promises...

- More powerful new Pokémon LV X better than ever before!
- Includes Technical Machine and Fossil trading cards.
- Features two theme decks 'Metal Surge' and 'Bombardment'.
- O Continues to offer a holographic parallel set for players and collectors alike.
- O And looks to be a BIG set, with over 140 cards in all!

If 20 August is the street release date then expect pre-releases on the weekends of 9-10 and 16-17 August 2008, so you have time to save up your pocket money.



Well that is all we can cram into this issue. Next time we will bring you a special on UK Nationals, all that is hot in the Pokémon Trading

Card Game and more news on the next new set, Diamond & Pearl - Legends Awakened. Have fun out there! @



Wing Attack

Organized Play schedule for 8-2009 season released

After all the chaos and confusion left following the collapse of The Place for Games, the ending of effective

Organized Play in the UK during the start of the 2007-2008 season, and the struggle since then to catch up, we have some very good news for you all.

Our new OP Managers at D&A Games have firmly





Ash Allows Pikachu to be With His Own Kind

While we all know that Pikachu loves being with Ash, there was a time when our hero nearly lost his electric Pokémon for good. The episode was called 'Pikachu's Goodbye'...

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Ash is swinging on a vine through the forest, watched by Misty and Brock when he accidentally smacks into a tree. Worried for his Trainer, Pikachu

rushes over to see if he is okay. Just then a baby Pikachu pops up and then quickly runs away. Ash and Pikachu follow the baby and discover an entire Pikachu clan living in the forest. On seeing Ash, Misty and Brock they get scared, but one brave monster shakes tails with Ash's Pikachu. The bond between the wild Pikachu and the one we all know and love is strengthened when the baby falls into a river and Ash's Pikachu jumps in to save it. Both are rescued by an amazing sight – all the Pikachu join their tails together to

pluck them from the river. It becomes obvious that Pikachu is meant to be with his own kind.

Desperate for a Pikachu for their boss, it's not long before Team Rocket appear on the scene and start plucking monsters with a net. Ash's Pikachu soon puts a stop to this, though, by nibbling through the net. With the Pikachus saved, Ash walks away sad. He knows he must leave his good friend behind. Just when you think it's all over for the duo, Pikachu comes running back and jumps into Ash's arms. Although it would love to be with other Pikachu, Ash is too important to it! Ahh.

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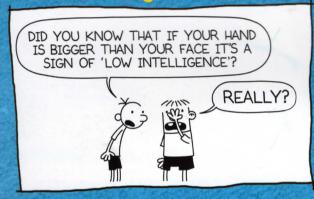


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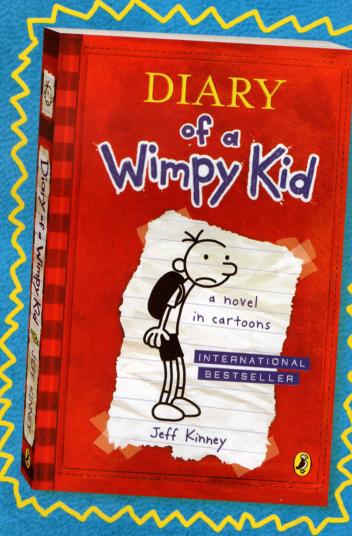


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He's certainly NOT dumb





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